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In re application of

Sandeep GUPTA, et al.

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For: FUSED TRICYCLIC COMPOUNDS, PROCESS FOR THEIR PREPARATION, AND HERBICIDAL
COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the following:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

A This is a U.S. National Stage Application filed under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of International Application No.
PCT/US00/08745 filed April 21, 2000, which is a Continuation-in-part of U.S. Application 09/323,823 filed June 2, 1999,
and the complete disclosures of which are incorporated into this application by reference.--

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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